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Dear Mr. Barfield,

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In reference to the above-mentioned facsimile I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to US Department of Patent and Trademark Office on the above-mentioned date.

I, under oath, declare that new matters have *not* been included.

Non-written rules of the German and European Patent Offices are reserved for the examiners who may help and assist the inventors *under the premise that the inventions are superior to the prior art, cheaper than it, applicable and feasible*. The rate of patents (allowance), granted by both Patent Offices, is very low. Mr Lejeune, Examiner of the German Patent Office, has subdivided *the single appl.* DE 197 49 780 A1 (A for Application) into three, such as

1. DE 197 49 780 C2 (C for German Patent), EP 1 037 773 B1 (B for European Patent), US 09/554,463, which are subdivided into four appls., etc;
2. DE 197 58 497 A1, DE 197 58 497 C2;
3. DE 197 58 498 A1, DE 197 58 498 C2, EP 1 037 771 B1, US 09/554,464 etc.

Please go to Mrs. Deanne L. Draper from Art Unit 3616 who has received the DE 197 49 780 A1 and the translation thereof, both of which were attached to the submittal of DE 197 58 497 A1, DE 197 58 498 A1, EP 1 037 773 B1, form papers etc. on 04/10/2000 to USPTO..

By the patent rules as well as US-ones I am allowed to insert new materials, found therein, into this amended appl. Because I am a very modest, poor inventor and humble agent, I assure both you and the USPTO that only relevant materials and information for better understanding are added.

Mr. Gruber from CIPO has requested me to amend Figs. 1, 1a, 3, 8, 8a, 8b, 13c to 13e and 14, which I can mail to you if you wish. I'll phone you on March 19 or 22, if you are out of the office on March 19, at 3 pm Washington local time.

Thank you in advance.

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